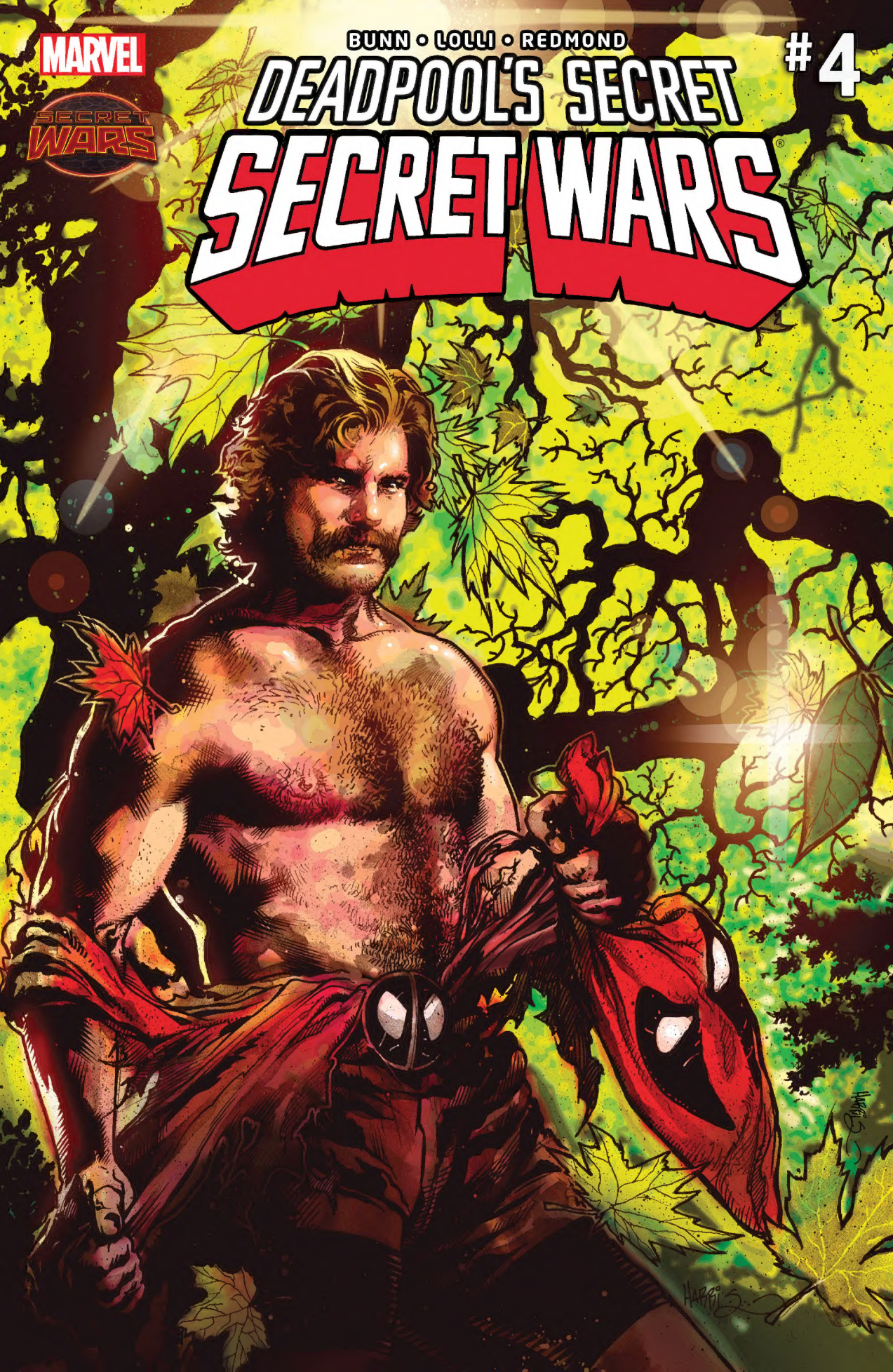
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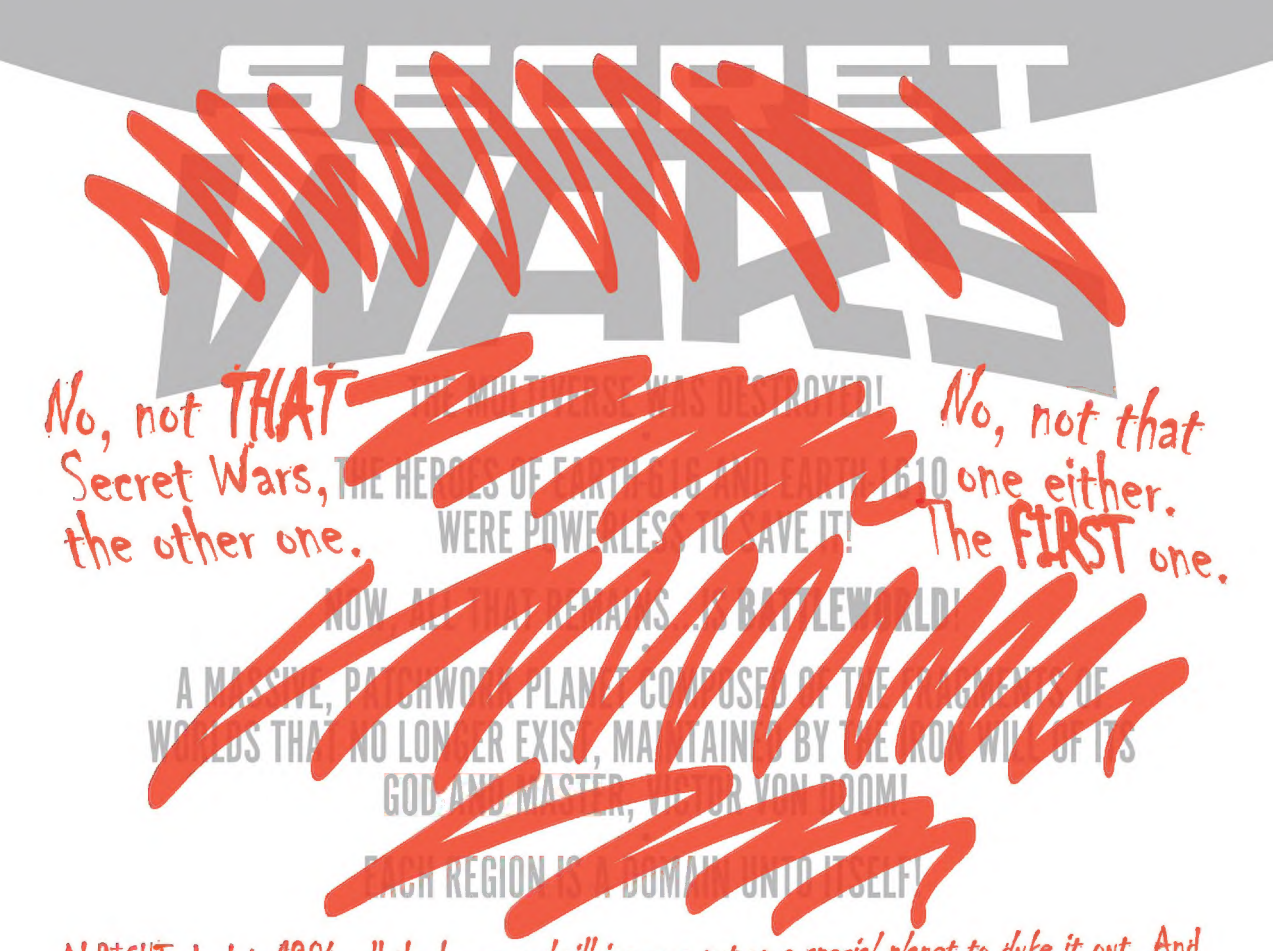

ALRIGHT- back in 1984, all the heroes and villains were put on a special planet to duke it out. And Deadpool (me) was there! I got healed all romance-novel handsome, too! So did Doctor Doom! (Good for him, that guy really needed a win!) Oh, but towards the end a bunch of heroes died and my smoking hot alien girlfriend, Zsaji, turned all wrinkly old saving them. I'm doing a flashback thing. It's all the rage.

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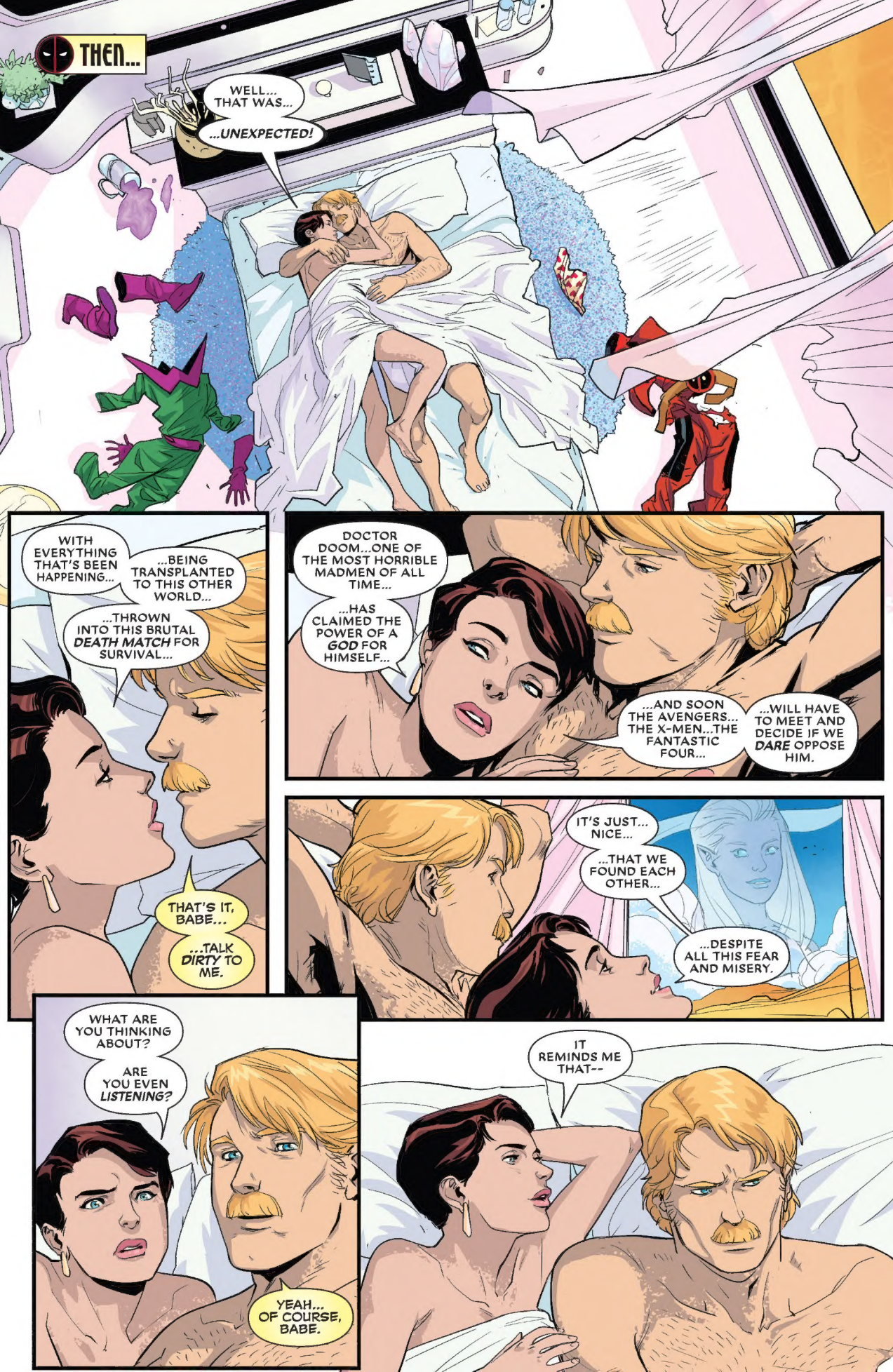

THEN...
WELL... THAT WAS...
...UNEXPECTED!
WITH EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING...
...BEING TRANSPLANTED TO THIS OTHER WORLD...
...THROWN INTO THIS BRUTAL DEATH MATCH FOR SURVIVAL...
THAT'S IT, BABE...
...TALK DIRTY TO ME.
DOCTOR DOOM...ONE OF THE MOST HORRIBLE MADMEN OF ALL TIME...
...HAS CLAIMED THE POWER OF A GOD FOR HIMSELF...
...AND SOON THE AVENGERS... THE X-MEN...THE FANTASTIC FOUR...
...WILL HAVE TO MEET AND DECIDE IF WE DARE OPPOSE HIM.
IT'S JUST... NICE...
...THAT WE FOUND EACH OTHER...
...DESPITE ALL THIS FEAR AND MISERY.
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT?
ARE YOU EVEN LISTENING?
YEAH... OF COURSE, BABE.
IT REMINDS ME THAT--

"--THINGS CAN ONLY GET BETTER."
NOW... INSOMUCH AS 1984 IS "NOW."
HEY...
...ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

I KNOW WHAT YOU DID...
...BRINGING THE ALIEN GIRL...
ZSAJI.
HER NAME WAS ZSAJI.
AND I BETRAYED HER.
I BROUGHT HER BACK TO THE RUINS...TO ALL THOSE DEAD BODIES.
AND SHE USED UP HER LIFE FORCE TO BRING ALL THE HEROES BACK FROM THE BRINK.
YOU DIDN'T KNOW.
I COULDA GUESSED.
I'VE BEEN LIVING WITH THAT GOOD OL' WADE WILSON LUCK ALL MY LIFE.
EVERY TIME I FIND SOMETHING GOOD...SOMETHING I REALLY LIKE...
...THE CARPET GETS YANKED RIGHT OUT FROM UNDER ME!
AND YOU KNOW WHAT'S UNDER THAT CARPET?
SHARKS. RAVENOUS RATS. DOOMBOTS.
YOU NAME IT. WHATEVER IT IS, ITS SOLE PURPOSE IS RUINING MY DAY!
Y-YOUR...
...FACE...

HEH.
"I AM NOT AN ANIMAL. I AM A HUMAN BEING."
I DIDN'T MEAN TO...
...YOU JUST...
...STARTLED ME IS ALL.
YOU DON'T NEED TO APOLOGIZE.
THE WAY I TREATED YOU... THE WAY I TREATED HER...I DESERVE WORSE.
I WAS JEALOUS, YOU KNOW?
JEALOUS OF ME?
NAH. SORRY...BUT NAH.
(EVEN THOUGH YOU CALLED ME "MAGNUS" IN THE THROES OF PASSION.)
(I MEAN... I LIKED IT AT THE TIME...BUT C'MON.)
SHE WAS FLOUNCING FROM ME...
...TO THE HUMAN TORCH... TO THE TIN MAN...
...AND I TOOK IT OUT ON YOU...
MAYBE THAT'S WHY I LOOK LIKE A MONSTER, HUH?
"BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I AM."

THEN...
DO ANY OF YOU DOUBT THAT I WIELD THE POWER OF THE BEYONDER?
NOW I AM ALL-POWERFUL!
I HAVE NOTHING TO PROVE TO LESSER CREATURES--AND NONE ARE MY EQUALS!
OUCH.
HARSH, DOOMSY. HARSH.
I THOUGHT WE WERE COOL, YOU KNOW?
I THOUGHT WE HAD A NICE ONE-OF-US-MAY-BE-OMNIPOTENT-BUT-WE'RE-ALL-STILL-BROS KIND OF THING GOING ON.
AS ETERNITY IS TO YOU...I AM TO ETERNITY!
I WISH TO GRANT YOU A BOON...
...AS A GESTURE TO ATONE FOR THE SUFFERING YOU HAVE ENDURED AT MY HANDS!
STATE YOUR DESIRE... ANYTHING!
AND IT SHALL BE YOURS!
WELL, WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO?
I JUST HAPPEN TO KEEP A WISH LIST HANDY FOR JUST SUCH AN--

WE WANT NOTHING FROM YOU, DOOM!
WHAT?!
BUT... BUT...
...THIS IS MY CHANCE TO GET THAT CABBAGE PATCH KID I ALWAYS WANTED!
HEY...THIS GUY MAY HAVE THE WINGS OF LIBERTY ON HIS HEAD...
...BUT HE DOESN'T SPEAK FOR ALL OF US.
IF HE DOESN'T WANT HIS FONDEST WISH, I'LL TAKE IT!
VERY WELL!
IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO ACCEPT MY GENEROSITY, OUR DEALINGS ARE ENDED!
ENDED... ENDED...ENDED.
YOU CAN GO NOW... OW...OW.
GO?
I THOUGHT WE WERE JUST ENTERING THE NEGOTIATION PHASE.
YOU KNOW...
...WE TURN DOWN YOUR FIRST OFFER OF WISH FULFILLMENT...
...YOU SWEETEN THE POT A LITTLE BIT...
I MEAN, DON'T RUN US OFF SO QUICKLY.
THIS GUY CAN'T BE MUCH FUN.
SURE, IF YOU'RE HAVING CHIPS AND SALSA YOU CAN USE HIS HAND FOR A BOWL...
...BUT OTHERWISE HE'S...YOU KNOW...KIND OF A LOON.

SOON I SHALL ASCEND TO HIGHER PLANES!
UNTIL THEN--AND MARK THIS--I WILL NOT SUFFER ANY DISTURBANCE!
LET'S GO, SOLDIER.
ANYTHING DOOM MIGHT OFFER WOULD COME AT TOO HEAVY A COST.
YOU KNOW, CAP...
...YOU REALLY KNOW HOW TO TAKE THE FUN OUT OF AN INTERGALACTIC BLOODBATH.
GO... AND DO NOT SEEK TO ENTER MY PRESENCE AGAIN...
...FOR I WILL UTTERLY DESTROY ANY WHO DARE!
DON'T WORRY, VIC!
DO WE LOOK LIKE IDJITS TO YOU?
THERE'S NO WAY--

"--WE'D EVER THINK OF CHALLENGING YOU!"

EVERYONE-- ATTACK!

DOOM HAS SENT AN ARMY OF MONSTERS TO DESTROY US!

BUT WE'RE MADE OF *STERNER STUFF!*

SPEAK FOR YOURSELF, CAP!

MY "*STUFF*" IS QUITE *DELICATE!*

KRA-THOOM

AND RIGHT NOW... THOSE DELICATE STUFFS...

...ARE CRAWLING BACK UP INSIDE MY NETHERS!

AW.

STUPID ORGANIC!

MY NEXT BEAM WILL VAPORIZE YOU!

SKRRAWWWKK!
KRAKKA-KRAKKA-KRAKKA
WHAT HAPPENED?
DO ANDROIDS SUFFER FROM ELECTRIC INDIGESTION?
DON'T BE SILLY!
IT WAS JUST PRETTY LITTLE ME!
I JUST STARTED YANKING WIRES UNTIL HE CAME APART!
NICE JOB, JANET!
I COULD--
AH--

I'M SORRY.
I JUST CAN'T GET USED TO--
YOU KNOW, WASP...
...THAT'S WHAT SETS A GIRL LIKE ZSAJI APART FROM A GIRL LIKE YOU.
SHE SAW ME FOR WHAT I WAS RIGHT OFF... BUT SHE *NEVER FLINCHED.*
OUT OF MY WAY, KLAW!
CAP!
WAIT UP!
I'M COMING WITH!
PARDON ME, SALAD BOWL HAND.
PERFECT... ERFECT...ERFECT...

DOOM!
THIS ENDS NOW, DOOM!
YEAH!
AND DON'T BOGART ALL THAT CHARDONNAY, MAN!
DIE, AVENGERS!
KRAKKOOM
THEY ARE ATOMIZED!
GONE FOREVER!
WHAT?
OH...
...NO!
DID YOU HEAR THAT?
HE CALLED ME AN AVENGER!
I KIND OF FEEL LIKE IF DR. DOOM CALLS YOU AN AVENGER, YOU'RE PRETTY MUCH AN OFFICIAL MEMBER OF THE TEAM!

WHAT... WHAT IS HAPPENING?
HE'S... LOSING TOUCH WITH REALITY!
HE NEEDS AN ANCHOR!
WOW, CAP... I'VE SEEN YOU JUMPING AROUND BEFORE...
...BUT THAT'S A PRETTY ASTOUNDING LEAP IN LOGIC!
DOOM!
LET ME HELP YOU! BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!
TOO LATE?
NO, NO, NO!
THE TIME... IME...IME...IS JUST RIGHT!
WHOA!
SALAD BOWL HAND!
UNLEASHING SOME SORT OF SHIMMERING ENERGY!
STRAIGHT FOR CAP--
Noooooooooooooooooooooo--

WHAT THE--
WHERE AM I?
I...AM THE BEYONDER!
I HAVE BEEN BIDING MY TIME WITHIN THE BODY OF KLAW.
BUT JUST AS I RETURN TO RECLAIM MY POWER...
...YOU BLOCKED ME, YOU IDIOT!
I SEE IT NOW.
ONLY A SUPREME BEING CAN PULL OFF THAT HAIRDO!
AND THIS PLACE...
...IT MUST BE...

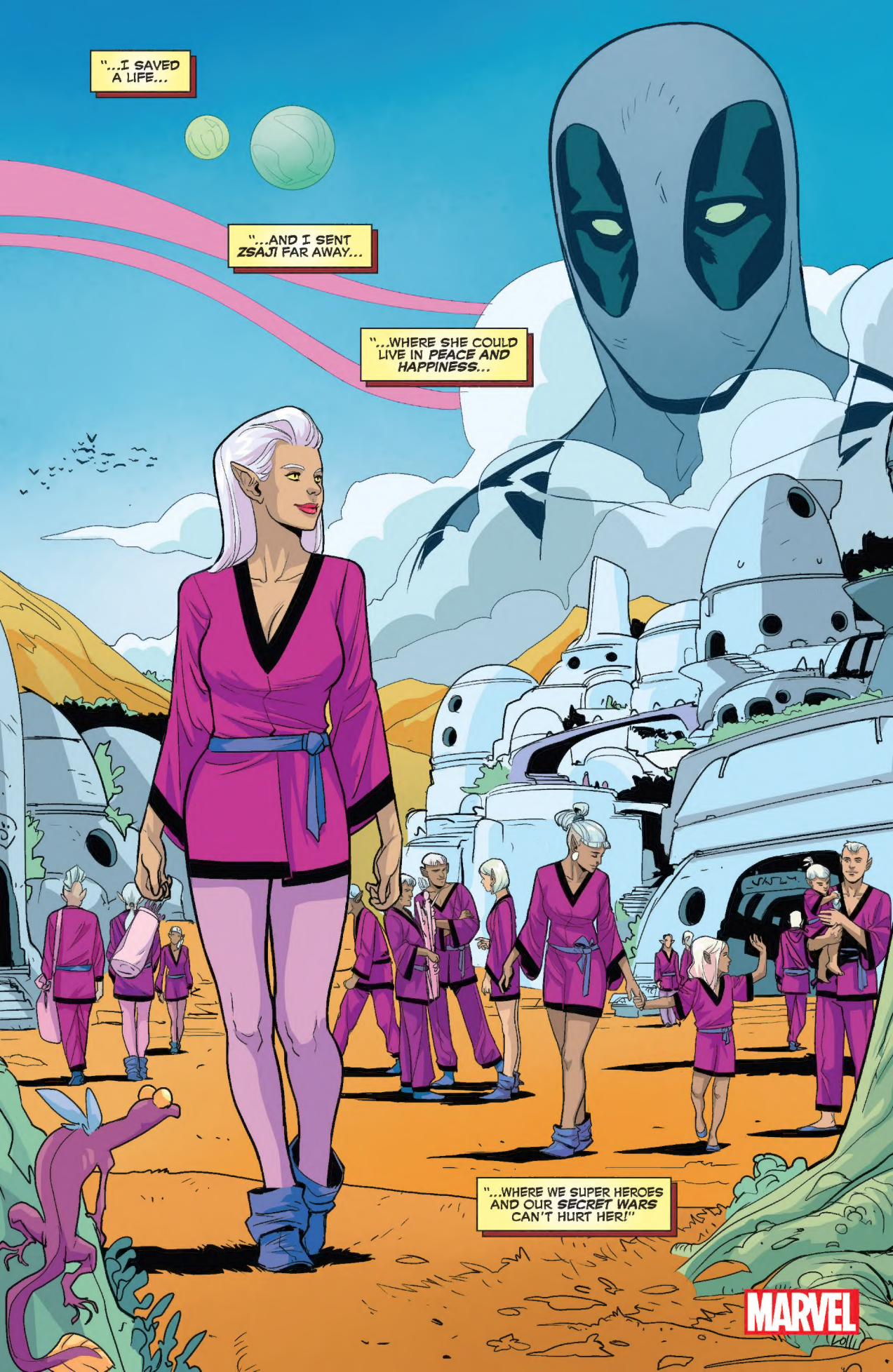
THIS IS THE FOUNDATION OF REALITY!
OF ETERNITY!
EVERY EVENT...IN EVERY UNIVERSE... ORIGINATES HERE!
I GUESS...
...I GUESS I ALWAYS KNEW...
...AT LEAST PART OF ME DID...
...BUT LOOKING AT IT NOW...
...I CAN SEE THE TRUTH!
THIS REALLY IS A COMIC BOOK, ISN'T IT?
RELEASE ME...
...AND ALL THAT YOU DESIRE SHALL BE YOURS!
C'MERE, YOU!
A LOT OF FOLKS HAVE BEEN OFFERING A LOT OF DESIRES!
BUT I FEEL LIKE YOU'RE THE KIND OF GREASY-HAIRED MOVER AND SHAKER WHO CAN MAKE THINGS HAPPEN!
SO, GO FORTH!
BE FREE, LITTLE SUPREME ENTITY!
RUN WILD AND GRANT ME WISHES!

AGGH!
W-WHAT HAPPENED?
THE BEYONDER...
...GOT TIRED OF PLAYING KEEP-AWAY WITH OUR BOY DOOM.
HE'S CHANGING BACK!
BACK TO WHAT HE WAS BEFORE!
I MUST BE WITH MY MASTER!
THEY...THEY'RE VANISHING!
KLAW... DOOM...AND THE BEYONDER!
GONE!
I THINK MAYBE THE BEYONDER TOOK DOOM OUT BEHIND THE INTERDIMENSIONAL WOODSHED!
EITHER WAY...THE WAR IS OVER!

"WE WON!"
CAP! YOUR SHIELD! IT LOOKS BRAND NEW!
WE'VE BEEN SPECULATING THAT THE PLANET ITSELF HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH ENERGIES THAT RESPOND TO OUR DESIRES...
...AND THIS JUST SEEMS TO BE MORE PROOF!
AN AFTER-EFFECT OF THE BATTLE WITH DOOM MIGHT BE SOME KIND OF "WISH FULFILLMENT!"
THESE ENERGIES HAVE YIELDED EVEN MORE AMAZING RESULTS!
I'VE FIGURED OUT HOW TO SEND US ALL HOME!
JOIN ME OUTSIDE...AND WE CAN LEAVE THIS BATTLEWORLD!
DID YOU HEAR THAT?
WE CAN RETURN TO EARTH.
HURRY ALONG!
YOU DON'T WANT TO BE LEFT--

--BEHIND?
CAP?
WHO WERE YOU TALKING TO?
EVERYONE IS ALREADY OUTSIDE...ALL OF US ACCOUNTED FOR.
I...DON'T KNOW.
FOR A SECOND THERE, I COULD HAVE SWORN...
IT IS NOT FAIR!
IF THIS PLANET IS GRANTING WISHES...WHY HAS MY DESIRE NOT BEEN FULFILLED?
WHY IS ZSAJI STILL DEAD?
APPARENTLY, PETER...
...DEATH IS AT SOME POINT IRREVOCABLE!
ZSAJI MUST HAVE PASSED THAT POINT WHEN SHE GAVE HER LIFE-FORCE TO YOU!
LET'S GO, EVERYONE!
GATHER AROUND!
I SHOULD BE ABLE TO TELEPORT ALL OF YOU BACK TO EARTH IN A MATTER OF MINUTES.
SAY YOUR GOODBYES TO THIS STRANGE WORLD!
YOU HEAR THAT, DEADPOOL?

"WE'RE GOING HOME!"
SO... YEAH...THAT'S HOW IT ALL SHOOK OUT.
ALIEN WORLD.
HEROES... VILLAINS...BATTLES TO THE DEATH.
SO WHY DIDN'T YOU COME BACK WITH THE REST OF THEM?
HOW COME YOU AND CAPTAIN AMERICA AREN'T, LIKE, BEST OF BUDDIES?
THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION, MY MAN.
AND I GUESS THERE'S REALLY ONLY ONE ANSWER.
EVEN THOUGH I SAVED THE DAY AND ALL...
...I DON'T THINK ANYONE ELSE REMEMBERS I WAS THERE!
THAT YOUR WISH?
THAT NOBODY WOULD REMEMBER YOU?
THAT SOME SORT OF HEROIC PARIAH THING?
I'M GOING TO PRETEND TO UNDERSTAND THE WORDS YOU'RE SAYING...
...AND RESPOND WITH A NEGATORY.
MY GUESS IS SOMEONE ELSE WISHED TO FORGET ME...
...AND THE OTHER HEROES JUST GOT CAUGHT UP IN THE COLLECTIVE MIND WIPE.
SO... WHAT ABOUT YOU?
WHAT DID YOU WISH FOR?
ME?


"...I SAVED A LIFE...
"...AND I SENT ZSAJI FAR AWAY...
"...WHERE SHE COULD LIVE IN PEACE AND HAPPINESS...
"...WHERE WE SUPER HEROES AND OUR SECRET WARS CAN'T HURT HER!"
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